GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN CENTRES IN POWERLOOM SECTOR
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government have launched a scheme for setting up `Computer Aided Design Centres` in various powerloom clusters/centres in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of centres set up as on December 31, 2002, state wise;

(c) whether training is also being imparted to handloom weavers and other artisans at these centres;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the new designs/patterns developed at these centres are also being supplied to handloom sector;

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefore; and

(g) the total amount sanctioned and spent under the scheme during each of the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) to (g) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 695 FOR 9.5.2003

(a) & (b) As on December 31, 2002, Government had setup seventeen Computer Aided Design Centres at following powerloom clusters:

S.No	Location of CAD Centre	State
1	Ahmedabad	Gujarat
2	Surat	Gujarat
3	Panipat	Haryana
4	Bangalore	Karnataka
5	Doddaballapur	Karnataka
6	Solapur	Maharashtra
7	Ichalkaranji	Maharashtra
8	Bhiwandi	Maharashtra
9	Mumbai	Maharashtra
10	Indore	Madhya Pradesh
11	Burhanpur	Madhya Pradesh
12	Bhilwara	Rajasthan
13	Coimbatore	Tamilnadu
14	Karur	Tamilnadu
15	Komarapalayam	Tamilnadu
16	Somanur	Tamilnadu
17	Ghaziabad	Uttar Pradesh

These CAD centres have been set up to facilitate the diversification of products and markets of the decentralised powerloom industry by the use of new designs, improved designs and computerized punching of the jacquard cards. The Government provides annual recurring grant of Rs. 6.75 lakhs to each centre for meeting the expenditure on salaries of staff etc. for a period of five years after which the centre is expected to be self-sufficient.

(c) to (f) Though these centres are set up for the powerloom industry, they provide their services and designs to artisans and weavers who are free to use their skills on handlooms or powerlooms. Training is provided to use the computer to develop designs and graphs

to weavers or designers.

(g) The amount spent under the scheme during last three years are:

S.No.	Year	Outlay (Rs. in Lakhs)	Expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	2000-01	210.00	81.26
2	2001-02	100.00	65.73
3	2002-03	74.00	67.50